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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, had I been present for the vote today on H.R. 4533—To designate the health care system of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Lexington, Kentucky, as the “Lexington VA Health Care System” and to make certain other designations, (rollcall No. 70), I would have voted “aye.”

Additionally, had I been present for the vote on H.R. 4979—To extend the Generalized System of Preference and to make technical changes to the competitive need limitations provision of the program (rollcall No. 71), I would have voted “aye.”

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 620, ADA EDUCATION AND REFORM ACT OF 2017; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3299, PROTECTING CONSUMERS' ACCESS TO CREDIT ACT OF 2017; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3978, TRID IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2017; AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 16, 2018, THROUGH FEBRUARY 23, 2018

Mr. BURGESS from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 115-559) on the resolution (H. Res. 736) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 620) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to promote compliance through education, to clarify the requirements for demand letters, to provide for a notice and cure period before the commencement of a private civil action, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3299) to amend the Revised Statutes, the Home Owners' Loan Act, the Federal Credit Union Act, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require the rate of interest on certain loans remain unchanged after transfer of the loan, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3978) to amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify requirements related to mortgage disclosures, and for other purposes; and providing for proceedings during the period from February 16, 2018, through February 23, 2018, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

OBSERVING AMERICAN HEART MONTH

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, as we observe American Heart Month, we

are reminded of how important diet and lifestyle choices are to our health.

Sadly, heart disease remains the leading cause of death in our country. Making heart healthy choices, knowing your family's heart history, and regular checkups are all integral parts of cardiovascular health.

Organizations like our very own United Way of Miami-Dade work alongside community clinics to conduct screenings and tests to help prevent and manage health issues. This month, United Way of Miami-Dade is partnered with FamilyWise, a program that provides access to affordable prescription medications.

The University of Miami's HeartAware risk assessment is an on-line screening survey offered by UHealth. This program helps patients identify their risk for developing cardiovascular disease, learn the next steps based on their risk factors, and promotes lifestyle changes to lower their risk of heart disease.

Let us all take time during American Heart Month to focus on our hearts and encourage not only ourselves but our family and friends to live healthier lives.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

(Mr. LANGEVIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, as co-chair of the bipartisan Career and Technical Education Caucus, I rise in recognition of National CTE Month.

CTE programs train students of all ages for jobs in high-skill, high-demand, and high-paying fields. By establishing partnerships between educators and industry leaders, CTE helps build a well-educated and skilled workforce ready to meet local business needs.

In Rhode Island, the Westerly Education Center, by way of example, collaborates with Electric Boat to train pipefitting students like Stephanie and Richard to build our Nation's next generation submarines.

The Genesis Center partners with CVS, Building Futures, and Apprenticeship Rhode Island to train workers, including Kathia, Jidma, and Lim, to become pharmacy technicians. Cindy was recently offered a job by CVS soon after she finished an apprenticeship.

CTE is good for students, businesses, the Rhode Island economy, and economies everywhere because it narrows that gap between what we are teaching in schools and what the needs of businesses really are.

I am proud to introduce a resolution celebrating CTE Month with my friend, colleague, and caucus co-chair, Representative G.T. THOMPSON.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join us in cosponsoring H. Res. 730.

SUPPORTING MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share my strong support for the Medicare Advantage program. I recently led a bipartisan letter with 298 Members of the House to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, urging them to preserve and strengthen Medicare Advantage. Millions of seniors rely on Medicare Advantage, and they need access to the high-quality healthcare plan choices that Medicare Advantage plans provide.

CMS will soon be issuing final policy and payment updates. These changes will have widespread implications on Medicare beneficiaries throughout the country. Our letter calls on CMS to preserve the program's integrity and existing incentives for MA plans that will offer high-quality, efficient, and patient-centered coverage options for consumers.

Mr. Speaker, the Medicare Advantage program covers nearly 19 million seniors across the country and provides care coordination, disease management programs, out-of-pocket spending limits, access to community-based programs, and additional supplemental benefits like vision, dental, and even prescription drug coverage.

We need CMS to continue to strengthen and enhance Medicare Advantage for our seniors.

CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

(Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, President Trump introduced his infrastructure plan, and while it covered many conventional infrastructure questions, it also singled out the need to modernize career, technical, and vocational education programs.

At a time when 6 million jobs across the country remain vacant because employers can't find workers with the skills they require, it is vital that we expand these programs to meet the needs of students, workers, and businesses.

The President's plan highlights the importance of modernizing career, technical, and vocational education programs to guarantee that workers have the skills necessary to succeed in their chosen career. Last month, as well, the President chose to highlight the importance of career and technical education to our economy in his State of the Union Address.

Fortunately, the House has already passed Congressman THOMPSON's and my bill to reauthorize Career Technical Education programs. Now, with